

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 479

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Cody De Leon, of the Houston Independent School District, who won Volunteer Houston's 2003 Mentoring Essay Contest for 7th-grade through 9th-grade levels; and

WHEREAS, In celebration of National Mentoring Month in January of 2003, Volunteer Houston invited students from fourth through 12th grades to write essays in honor of their mentors; and

WHEREAS, Cody was at one time an honor roll student who dropped out of school for approximately two years; upon his return to school, he had a difficult time adjusting; after he entered the Community Education Partners program, his life turned in a more positive direction; and

WHEREAS, Now this fine young man has not only stayed in school, but he has again made the honor roll, a goal he had once believed would never again be within his reach; and

WHEREAS, Cody De Leon has been given the opportunity to succeed through the HISD-CEP Partnership Program, and he has written an excellent essay in recognition of this valuable mentoring initiative; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend Cody De Leon for striving to do his best and extend congratulations to him on earning the 2003 Mentoring Essay Contest; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 31, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate